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SUBJECT: NATO SECURITY-PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION IN NATO

SPECIAL COMMITTEE

REFS: (A) USNATO 6551, DTG 011223Z JUL 78

(B) LISBON 5009, DTG 071503Z JUL 78

1. MISSION MAY CONCUR IN PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION  
IN NATO SPECIAL COMMITTEE (INTELLIGENCE) AND ITS  
WORKING GROUP WITHIN CAVEATS CONTAINED IN REFTELS.

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2. AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATES THAT, AS OF APRIL  
1977, VICE ADMIRAL JOSE JOAQUIM DE SA E MELO CRISTINO WAS  
COMMANDER CONTINENTAL NAVAL COMMAND (SIMILAR TO  
CINCLANTFLT) AT LISBON NAVAL BASE, ALFEITE. CRISTINO  
HAS BROAD EXPERIENCE IN OCEANOGRAPHY AND GUNNERY AND  
HAS RECEIVED NUMEROUS DECORATIONS. CONSIDERED PRO-WEST,  
HE HAS TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY IN EUROPE. CRISTINO HAS

STAYED CLEAR OF PORTUGUESE POLITICAL TURMOIL AND  
RETAINED HIS COMMAND WHICH HE HELD BEFORE THE PORTUGUESE  
REVOLUTION UNTIL AT LEAST APRIL 1977, DATE OF LATEST  
AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON HIM IN WASHINGTON. CRISTINO  
WAS BORN APRIL 7, 1922 IN LISBON. CRISTINO IS MARRIED,  
HAS ONE SON AND SPEAKS ENGLISH. VANCE

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